

## BARRE DAILY TIMES

FRIDAY, JULY 20, 1917.

Entered at the Postoffice at Barre as Second-Class Mail Matter.

**SUBSCRIPTION RATES**  
 One year.....\$2.00  
 One month.....\$0.25  
 Single copy.....1 cent

Published Every Week-Day Afternoon by  
 THE BARRE DAILY TIMES, INC.  
 Frank E. Langley, Publisher

There has been a great deal of backing and filling at Washington over the draft method. We are new to the game.

Uncle Sam is occupying the unusual position of refereeing a scrap between two of his citizens while our allies are feeling the pinch of food shortage because of the scrap.

The Russians are not making any appreciable advances in Galicia at the present time, but they are keeping quite a force of Teutons busily occupied, who, otherwise, might be endangering the Italians or the Franco-British lines in other sections.

The new chairman of the Republican state committee, J. Rolf Searles of St. Johnsbury, is an enthusiastic sort of fellow and, moreover, has had some training in partisan politics by reason of his connection with the state committee as secretary. He should be in a position to carry along the work which Judge Stanley C. Wilson laid down when he was appointed to membership on the supreme court bench of Vermont.

Now that the authorities of the University of Vermont have recommended that athletics in the institution be dropped for the time-being because of the war, it will be possible for the students to devote all their time to military drill. From the opening of the college year a rigorous military regime should be established and all male students in the university ought to be put through a hard course in preparation for war service.

The extent to which Russia is infested with spies is indicated by the proposal to remove the capital of the country from Petrograd to Moscow in order to get rid, if possible, of some of the leeches. Undoubtedly all Europe was likewise infested with German secret agents at the outbreak of the war; and the same thing applies to a certain extent to the United States. There are evidences now and then that the United States has not yet got rid of some spies from official positions, while others are roaming at large over the country.

The discovery of an alleged plot to spread disease inoculation throughout the United States by means of court plasters, which had been subjected to germ contact, brings to attention a novel possibility along the line of an attack on the United States by our enemies in this war. The story of the discovery of germ-infested plasters sold or distributed in parts of Missouri is only partly substantiated, as yet, but there are some elements of truth about the discovery that are likely to put the people of the United States on their guard. The salesmen of these plasters are said to be persistent in their efforts to get their wares placed in the homes of the districts visited and when the people do not buy the plasters the salesmen make a donation of their wares, trusting that the plasters will be put to use. It goes without saying that plasters of this nature, when applied to wounds, become agents of communication to the bodies of the persons to whom the plasters are applied. Briefly, that is the alleged plot to attack the people of the United States. It is almost too devilish to be true; but the people of the United States would certainly be on the safe side by refusing to deal with people of this sort who are so anxious to unload their goods. The better way is to trade with honest merchants and get reliable goods.

Just as soon as the suffragettes who are congregated in Washington to petition the president are accorded no more notoriety when arrested than is given to the regular police court grist they will desist from their work. Notoriety is what the suffragettes are looking for, the idea being that the publicity given to their "martyrdom" spreads the propaganda which they represent. Therefore, if the notices of the arrest of the women are confined to mere items buried in the police court news, there will be little incentive to become arrested. The advocates who are making progress toward the enfranchisement of women are going about their work in a more dignified way.

There is no slight satisfaction in the knowledge that one rumor-monger of national untruths has been caught and is in a position to take the punishment he deserves. That rumor-monger is the fellow who told the story of a United States naval hospital being filled with wounded Americans, who received their injuries in a great naval battle. There was not a single element of truth in the statement, and the wonder is that the spreader of the story could find so many dupes among the enlisted men of the United States as to believe that there had been a battle at all. There is reason why the government should deal sternly with Charles E. Knapp, who is under arrest at Passaic, N. J.

## KAISER'S LETTER CONCEALED MUCH.

In his letter to Von Bethmann-Hollweg, expressing his regret over the resignation of his chancellor for eight years, Emperor William of Germany was very careful to conceal the reasons for the resignation and, therefore, the world outside of the central powers is just about as much in the dark in regard to the matter as ever. The emperor's letter was a more or less perfunctory sort of document, such as any official of any government might receive from those in higher authority whether his work had been good or bad, satisfactory or unsatisfactory. To be sure, the emperor expressed in it his regret over the severance of relations of long standing; but that, too, was more or less formal. In the absence of any stated reasons for the resignation there will, of course, be general speculation as to the facts in the situation. There is one indication which may point to the conviction that Von Bethmann-Hollweg realized that Germany was reaching the end of her rope and that peace must be sought sooner or later. That indication was the protest which came up from Austria against the resignation of Von Bethmann-Hollweg, coupled with which was the assertion that a change in chancellors at the present time would be a grave step to take. Austria, be it known, desires peace and desires it very much. It might be taken for granted, then, that Von Bethmann-Hollweg represented the German faction which realized that further prosecution of the war would bring Germany nothing but more woe, a position which is diametrically opposed to the Prussian war lords' idea that the way out of Germany's difficulties is for her to fight till victory comes and then claim indemnities to meet the cost of the war. The sudden injection of the crown prince, a fire-eating war-maker, into the crown council, at which the resignation of Von Bethmann-Hollweg was decided upon, is another indication that the ex-chancellor was out of favor with the war party. That being the case, the German government's debt to the world is war and still more war. Meanwhile the people as represented by the Reichstag are slowly coming into their own.

## RAISING POTATOES IN CRIB.

W. A. Lane of Perry Street Is Trying a Novel Method.

War time gardens on Perry street have for their most conspicuous features three different devices for raising potatoes and the amateur gardener who does not make it a point to visit the vegetable patches of W. A. Lane, W. H. Goodfellow and H. A. Gould will miss the inspiration of experiments which bid fair to fulfill the present promise of maturity. Credit for giving the "Missouri idea" a try-out is due Mr. Lane, but his near neighbors, while they have not used the rack method, are growing potatoes in a manner that differs radically from methods generally adopted. Mr. Lane has a crib full of thriving potato plants and may yet harvest the 42 bushels which agricultural experts claim may be raised in the rack. Mr. Gould has resorted to the plan of dropping his seed potatoes on the turf and covering them with a layer of lawn grass and Mr. Goodfellow has a barrel with the staves so intersticed as to permit plenty of air and sunshine as well as moisture to reach two layers of potatoes and a good crop is a foregone conclusion in each instance. The barrel method and the plan of covering the seed with grass has been tried out before in this vicinity, but it remained for Mr. Lane to give the crib idea its first demonstration among gardeners here in the city.

Although complete success has not crowned his efforts, he is confident that the yield will repay him well for his

labor and with the lessons learned from the experiment he hopes to harvest a bigger yield of tubers next season. In a rack which has inside measurements of 8 and 4 feet, with a height of 6 feet, there are 12 layers with 32 hills in each layer. The layers are six inches deep and all told there are 384 hills of potatoes. Mr. Lane suspects that the loam is somewhat heavy near the interstices, but the top of the crib is alive with healthy potato plants and a number of plants which are nursed in the lower recesses of the rack have shot through the interstices and are in a flourishing condition. Thus it develops that while some of the sprouts have found their way through the openings between the slats which form the sides and ends of the crib, the majority have penetrated the entire mass of earth and bear their leaves well above the top of this unusual garden.

The originator of the rack system observed that in the spring potatoes in his cellar sent out their shoots through

every possible crack and crevice in the bin. From this observation, he conceived the idea that if the pile were removed into the open and properly fertilized, the "mummies" would grow and produce their kind. His success with the experiment was described at considerable length in agricultural journals with the result that the plan has been adopted by a number of Vermont gardeners this year. Mr. Lane has followed faithfully the directions laid down by experts who examined the first crib gardens in Missouri. The crib is built as each layer is placed and planted. Generous quantities of fertilizer are used and to keep the dirt and fertilizer from falling out of the pen as the layers were placed, old straw and leaves were drawn up against the crevices.

One of the important adjuncts of the rack is the moisture tester, a piece of timber 4 by 4 inches which is placed in the center of one side of the crib, about two feet above the ground. After the potatoes had been planted three weeks

the timber was removed and the garden, by inserting his hands in the aperture, was able to determine the moisture. Copious supplies of water have been used. Potato vines in Mr. Lane's crib grow toward the sides as well as toward the top as they seek the nearest way to the light.

**The Late George C. Underhill.**  
 With the interment to-day of George C. Underhill, a figure unique in Rutland business and political life has passed. Of undoubted sincerity, vigor of speech and independence of action, Mr. Underhill occupied a niche practically his own in this community. Unquestionably he was one of the best informed marble experts in the history of the industry. Perhaps had he possessed a little more fineness or tact he would have met with greater advancement politically, but as it was he doubtless served a useful purpose in stimulating citizens to greater regard for their civic duties and obligations.—Rutland News.

# Special Sale

## of All Odds and Ends Taken from Our Stock

Here are bargains "as potent as sunlight," and they shine for all the bright ones who come early. We say early because this is no "price slaughter" of all our large stock, but a genuine price-cutting on all the odds and ends and discontinued lines, also any goods that have become soiled or wrinkled in handling. These have all been removed from our regular stock and priced very low, when we consider the prices on all goods are advancing every week, and the end is not in sight.

You can get some idea of these mark-downs from our window for the next few days. These are from our regular stock and sold with our regular guarantee.

## Boys' Wash Suits

21 Wash Suits, ages 4 to 8; 50c to \$2.00 quality. Now, 42c, 59c, 89c, \$1.29

## Boys' Wool Suits

\$2.50 to \$7.50 values, now priced, \$1.89, \$2.29, \$2.69, \$3.29 Sizes, 3 to 17 years.

## A few Boys' Frocks

Each .....45c

## Boys' Jersey Sweaters

Navy Blue, 75c quality, each .....59c This is an extra good trade.

## Men's Black Hose

2 pairs for .....25c

## Odd Negligee Shirts

Sizes 14 to 16½. These Shirts are the \$1.50 and \$2 grades and are now priced, \$1.29, \$1.69

## 15 Men's Light Color Summer Suits

\$10 to \$22.50 grades, now priced at \$7.90, \$9.50, \$16.50, \$19.00

## Wash Vests

21 Men's White and Light Colored Wash Vests, 98c each

## Men's Outing Trousers

A few pairs, at \$2.19, \$3.90

### Five Dozen Children's Straw Hats Now Priced to Move

65c HATS NOW ..... 45c  
 50c HATS NOW ..... 42c  
 35c HATS NOW ..... 25c

## F. H. Rogers & Company

### Mid-Summer Shoe Sale

#### of Men's, Women's and Children's Low Shoes and Pumps

We have picked for our stock several lines which we wish to close out. These are lines of which the sizes are broken or else of which we cannot get more. These are unusually good bargains. Look them over, any way.

One Lot <b>Ladies' Pumps</b> Broken lots \$3.50 and \$4.00 grades Now <b>\$2.50</b>	<b>Ladies' Oxfords</b> Sizes 2½, 3, 3½ All leathers \$3.50 and \$4.00 grades Now <b>\$1.98</b>	One Lot <b>Children's Tan Slippers</b> \$1.50 and \$2.00 grades Now <b>\$1.15</b>
--	---	---

Many other lines not mentioned here at very low prices. If you do not need them now, buy for next summer. It will save you money.

### Rogers' Walk-Over Boot Shop

### Eat More Ice Cream!

It's good for you

The Best Ice Cream that you ever tasted is served at our fountain.



Ice Cream Soda, made of the finest cream, the finest syrups, any flavor you desire. A big, healthful, satisfying drink on a hot day.



You are always certain of getting the best quality of Ice Cream and Sodas and the quickest and best service, and for your own sake you ought to go where you can get the best.

Vanilla and Caramel and Lemon Sherbet

**Cummings & Lewis**

Druggists  
 54 North Main St., Barre, Vt.

YES, MR. WISE, WE WILL BE GLAD TO GIVE THIS MATTER OUR PROMPT ATTENTION

### CAREFUL MANAGEMENT OF YOUR BANKING BUSINESS



Have you ever considered how the successful men of to-day attained their financial independence? Success in business is due, in large degree, to the careful management of your banking business. An account with this bank assures absolute safety for your money—also careful and prompt attention to the details of your banking business.

### QUARRY SAVINGS BANK

—BARRE, VT.—& TRUST CO.

BEN A. EASTMAN, Pres. A. P. ABBOTT, Vice-Pres. C. M. WILLEY, Treas.  
 DIRECTORS—Ben A. Eastman, J. M. Boutwell, W. G. Reynolds, A. P. Abbott, H. F. Cutler, W. H. Miles, E. L. Scott, H. J. M. Jones, B. W. Hooker, H. H. Jackson.

### Vermont Mutual Fire Insurance Company

of Montpelier, Vt.

Age, Eighty-Nine Years

Assets - - - \$9,660,000.00  
 Membership - - - 46,000

Policies written under Mutual or Paid-Up Plan at actual cost—no profit

If you are seeking Insurance, see our Local Agent.

McAllister & Kent

Agents for Barre, Berlin and Orange

### Deep Cut In Shoe Prices



Beginning with to-day, we place on sale all of our 700 pairs Men's, Women's, Boys', Girls' and Children's Pumps and Oxfords, except Comfort Oxfords and White Canvas Oxfords and Pumps at a discount of 10 per cent. We have too big a stock for this time of the season and our loss will be your gain. A good assortment at \$1.98. Don't delay.

### PEOPLE'S SHOE STORE

C. S. ANDREWS, Prop.  
 Currier Block, Barre 14 State St., Montpelier

### Big White Shoe Sale Saturday

500 pairs of Women's White Canvas Pumps and Oxfords, high and low heels, widths C to E, \$1.65 to \$2.00 regular price—

**\$1.35 pair**

Children's Tennis Oxfords  
**55c pair**

600 pairs of Women's High-Grade Pumps and Oxfords, La France etc., sizes 2 to 4, A to E widths, Saturday only, per pair .....\$2.19

Hundreds of special bargains for Saturday

### SHEA'S SHOE STORE

### Remember how you longed for Summertime?



"Men always long for a change of scenery or a change of season. Be glad you've got what you've got when you've got it and act accordingly."—says the Old Philosopher.  
 You can get a change of scenery right in your own home. How about a comfortable chair for your porch or a Couch Hammock where you can rest at ease after a hard day's work? A small payment will deliver either or both of these articles, and many others, to your home immediately. An excellent good assortment of Reed Chairs upholstered in Imported Tapestries, from \$10.00 to \$22.00.

**A. W. Badger & Company**

THE LEADING FURNITURE DEALERS AND UNDERTAKERS OF THE CITY  
 TELEPHONE 447-11  
 AUTOMOBILE DELIVERY ANYWHERE WITHOUT EXTRA CHARGE